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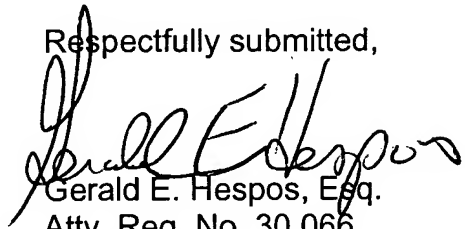
The undersigned attorney for the above-identified application just realized that the figures in copending Application No. 10/730,824 are very similar to the figures in the above-captioned application. Application No. 10/730,824 is before Examiner Dinh. The claims of these two applications are very different, and accordingly the references that were cited by Examiner Dinh do not appear to be particularly relevant to the claims currently pending in the above-captioned application. Nevertheless, the references that were cited in Application No. 10/730,824 have been listed on the attached copy of Form PTO-1449. These references relate primarily to structure formed on a housing for positioning the housing on a panel.

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